

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: **Li**

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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination on the merits, and along with the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed herewith, Applicant respectfully requests that the application be amended as follows.

Amendment of the claims begins at page 2.

Remarks begin at page 11.